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FOR A FISHING REEL :

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Japanese Examined Utility Model No. 2-57239 discloses a spinning reel having an L-shaped sounding leaf 52 made of an elastic material. The sounding leaf 52 is mounted to the rear end wall of the reel unit with the operation axis 43 being coupled to the hole 55 of the sounding leaf 52. The end of the horizontal portion 54 of the sounding leaf 52 is inserted

inside the knob 38. The end of the horizontal portion 54 engages the engagement portion 51, which is grooves formed on the inner peripheral surface of the knob 38.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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